## Fiscal Estimate - 2023 Session

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## Fiscal Estimate Narratives DATCP 3/9/2023

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## Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill impacts DATCP's Producer-Led Watershed Protection Grants Program. The bill allows grants under the program to be awarded to producer-led groups that are made up of farmers located in adjacent watersheds, thereby expanding the area of producer-led group may form. The change in producer-led group eligibility may increase the number of applicants for this annual grant program. This increase and any further increase in applicants and award recipients will increase the staff resources needed to administer the grant program. This bill has no impact on the total amount of funding DATCP can award.

## **Long-Range Fiscal Implications**

Long-range implications for changes in eligibility and the continued growth of the Producer-Led Grant Program will continue to stress staffing resources available for this program. Additional funding for positions would support added staff resources to continue working closely with applicants, grant recipients, collaborators, regional coordinators, and continue to pursue external grants to further support the work of the farmers in these Producer-Led groups.